

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 23, 25-48, and 55-63 are canceled. Claim 24 is amended to incorporate all the limitations of the base claim. No new matter has been introduced. Claims 1-22, and 24 are currently pending. Allowance of all the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Election/Restriction

For reasons stated in page 2 and 3 of the Office Action, claims 36-46 and 48 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. Claims 36-46 and 48 have been canceled in favor of a divisional application filed concurrently herewith.

Claim Rejection under 35 USC §102

Claims 23, 25-35, 47 and 55-63 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Hill. Claims 23, 25-35, 47 and 55-63 have been canceled in favor of a continuation application filed concurrently herewith, and the rejection is now moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-22 are allowed. Claim 24 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claim 24 has been written in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim.

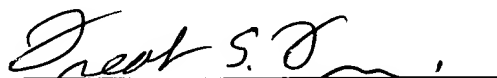
CONCLUSION

For at least the reasons set forth above, applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desired in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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